

KEY FACTS ABOUT

Children birth to 3 years,
their families, and
the child care system
that serves them

Massachusetts

Total population: 6,349,097

U.S. Census 2000



An average of 8,358 children 0–3 are served per month by the Child Care and Development Fund

(FY 2001 ACF-801 data)

In Federal Fiscal Year 2004 the Infant/Toddler Child Care and Development Fund Set-Aside = \$1,321,145

(FY 2004 CCDF Allocations and Earmarks,
U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF)



894 children served by 11 grantees are in Early Head Start

(2003 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment)
(EHSNRC Database—April 2004)

52% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

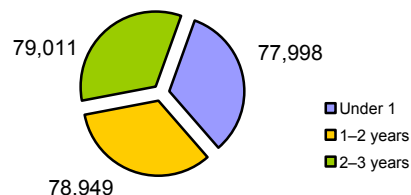
(Child Care Profile, United States/NACCRRA, March 2003)



13,826 children under 3 are served by the Early Intervention program

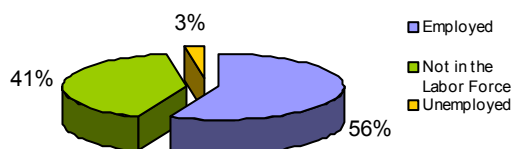
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs,
Data Analysis System (DANS), Dec. 2002)

235,958 Children Under 3 Live in Massachusetts



U.S. Census 2000

56% of Massachusetts Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



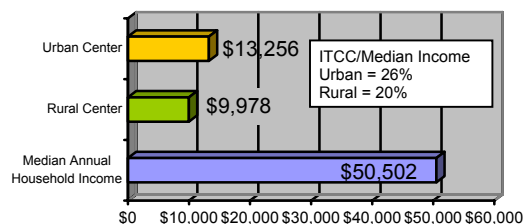
Current Population Survey, March 2001

Professional Development of Infant/Toddler Caregivers

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential:	Yes, for center-based care.
Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate*:	11 issued in 2002 12 issued in 1998
Early Learning Guidelines for 0–3:	No

*Council on Professional Recognition

Annual Cost of Infant/Toddler Child Care as a Percent of Median Income



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In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:3 or 2:7 for infants to 15 months; 1:4 or 2:9 for 15 months to 2.9 years; 1:10 for 2.9 to 7 years
(State Licensing Regulations)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:6 (with up to 3 children under 2 if at least 1 of these is 15 months and can walk unassisted)
(State Licensing Regulations)

In Group Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:6 (with up to 3 children under 2 if at least 2 of these are 15 months and can walk unassisted)
(State Licensing Regulations)

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<http://nccic.org/statedata/statepro/massachu.html>

